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John,

The Garfield County Commission has sent Alton Coal Development, LLC a letter of support for the proposed Coal Hollow mining operation (C/025/0005). Attached is a copy of the letter for your review.

Sincerely,

Chris McCourt

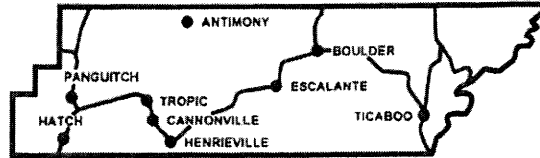
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John Baza
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Dear Mr. Baza:

The Garfield County Commission would like to express their support for the Alton Coal Development Project. We anticipate favorable economic benefits to Garfield County as a result of the mining operation. As an economically depressed area that relies heavily on tourism, we welcome the prospect of new family supporting jobs that may be available to the citizens of the County.

The concerns regarding coal trucks on Highway 89 and their potential impact, we believe have been exaggerated. We support the project and feel the economic benefit will far outweigh any negative impact.

As representatives of the citizen's of Garfield County, we believe that the majority of our constituents are very supportive of this project. We are excited to see the planning and permitting processes completed and ask that the permitting process be completed in a timely manner, allowing for the company to begin their operation.

Sincerely,

D. Maloy Dodds, Chair
Garfield County Commission